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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following new claims:

1   43. A method for playing out a coded multi-media presentation on an electronic presentation

2   device, the method comprising:

3   •   accessing a medium, readable by the device and on which the coded multi-media

4   presentation is stored as a plurality of self-contained, sub-presentation data structures;

5   •   selecting at least one sub-presentation data structure from the medium, which data

6   structure comprises at least one play-out specification sub-structure and a plurality of

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